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TWO CHRISTMAS DAYS IN ONE YEAR

W. G. Porter Tells How He Experienced that Many in the Year 1898.

Editor Pensacola Journal:

The writer has had the novel experience of enjoying two Christmas days in one year. At a glance you would think it impossible for one to experience two days, both being on December 25th, and in the same year, but nevertheless it is a fact.

In 1898 when the war was on between the United States and Spain I was ordered with my regiment on the second Philippine expedition to assist in the assault and capture of Manila, and in crossing the Pacific Ocean it was necessary, according to time rules, to lose one day when passing the 180th meridian. This happened on June 28th and the next day was June 30th, therefore losing one day.

Now it happened that on my return to the United States, which was via China and Japan, we sailed all day, December 25th, on the west side of the 180th meridian and at night crossed the meridian and the next morning we were still having a day of December 25th. This is the way I experienced two Christmas days in one year.

Yours truly,
W. G. PORTER.

Accidents will happen, but the best regulated families keep Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for such emergencies. It subdues the pain and heals the hurt.

NOTICE

Sixty days from date the scale of wages of Bricklayers and Plasterers Union No. 1, of Florida, will be \$4.50 per day, eight hours constituting a day's work.

CHARLES RICKS, President.
R. T. ROBERTS, Secretary.
Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 15, 1905, 16dec1w.

Heart Fluttering.
Undigested food and gas in the stomach, located just below the heart, presses against it and causes heart palpitation. When your heart troubles you in that way take Herbine for a few days. You will soon be all right. 50c a bottle. Sold by all druggists.

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PRESENTMENT OF THE GRAND JURY

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ease. We do not know who was correct or who incorrect and shall not attempt to determine this fact.

Per Diem of Commissioners. We examined the report of the state auditor filed in the clerk's office some months since and from a reading of same we see that he reports that some of the county commissioners had prior to his examination drawn money in excess of that allowed by law. We are informed that the auditor held that a county commissioner was only entitled to draw mileage for his actual and necessary trips in attending to his duties as county commissioner, and the per diem allowed him by law, and that no commissioner should draw more than allowed him by law, and that no commissioner should draw more than one hundred dollars for per diem in any one year. The state attorney who has been with us during our investigations is entirely in accord with the auditor on this point. We also had the county attorney before us and there is some difference of opinion as to the duties of county commissioners, and to their compensation. We have determined under the circumstances to recommend that the county commissioners draw nothing except their mileage and per diem as allowed by law, not to exceed one hundred dollars in any one year, unless the attorney general should give an opinion to the contrary.

Cruelty to Convicts. Incident to our inquiry into certain matters it came to our knowledge that convicts in the charge of Varn Bros., who are sub-lessees, have been subjected to unusual cruelty and inhuman treatment, and that in one case at least, and perhaps more, death resulted from such inhuman and cruel treatment. We strongly urge that the proper state or county officials investigate these matters and see that the unfortunate who are confined in prison camps whether white or black, be not abused or inhumanly treated. In the case of death referred to we found that a pretended inquest was held and a verdict of justification returned, but further inquiry and investigation developed the remarkable fact that the inquest was presided over by J. D. Trammell, Jr., that said Trammell was not a justice of the peace and had no authority to hold inquest; that his only official capacity was "notary public." We further found that the said Trammell was a practicing physician, and that he was frequently if not regularly in the employ of the said Varn Bros.; we further found that the pretended jury of inquest was composed of six persons, four of whom were in the employ of the said Varn Bros.; we further failed to find any report of said pretended inquest on file in the office of the clerk of the circuit court.

With reference to the convicts working on the public roads under Captain Davis, we find no cause for complaint, and in fact some of the convicts in his charge were before us and we are assured that they are well cared for and humanely treated.

Court House Annex.

The annex to the court house is in bad condition and has been so reported so often by preceding grand juries that it seems almost folly for us to make report or recommendation. We will say that when we were organized and ready for business that the weather was quite cool, that we had no room wherein to meet where we could have a fire and that the witnesses in attendance to go before our body were in even a worse plight as their only place of refuge was in the open hall. We did finally succeed in getting a small stove in one room for our necessary comfort and a like one in another room for the witnesses, and after so doing were in a position to enter upon our labors. We earnestly urge that the commissioners at their next meeting go in a body to the annex and make a careful investigation of same and act in accordance with their judgment and cause the necessary repairs to be made. The second floor of the annex seems to have been abandoned to the sparrows, and we found it in very bad shape, and otherwise in bad condition by reason of the occupancy of the sparrows. We suggest that a wire netting be placed on the inside of the cupola and so fixed that the birds will be kept out.

County Treasurer.

We have examined the books of the county officers and report as follows thereon: Treasurer: His books are neatly and apparently correctly kept and correspond with the books of other county officers with reference to receipts and disbursements. When the present treasurer went into office there was a deficit in the fine and forfeiture fund; there is still a deficit but same has been materially reduced. We also find that when the present treasurer went into office that warrants on the fine and forfeiture fund were at a discount, and we find that now under an arrangement made by the treasurer that these warrants are paid dollar for dollar when presented and this without any expense being incurred by the county. This is a great saving to those who receive scrip or warrants for services rendered, and we think that Mr. Williams, the treasurer, deserves commendation for having inaugurated this system.

Circuit Clerk.

The Clerk: This office we found in excellent condition, everything neat and clean and apparently correct. Up-to-date systems prevail in every department and we cannot suggest a single improvement in this office. It is a fact of general knowledge that some time since there was some shortage

or discrepancies in the office of the clerk and it is a fact as shown by the records of the office that this matter was called to the attention of the state authorities by the clerk, Mr. McMillan, himself, and that an examination was made by the auditor at the request of Mr. McMillan, and that he gave every assistance toward unravelling the matter and that as soon as the shortage was determined that Mr. McMillan promptly made the same good. We further say with pleasure that our investigation convinces us that Mr. McMillan was in no sense responsible personally for the shortage and that same had been occasioned by the acts of another without the knowledge of Mr. McMillan.

Other Officials.

The Assessor: The books of this office are neatly and apparently correctly kept.

The County Judge: In this office we find that everything is in excellent shape, that the present incumbent has inaugurated a system by which the business of the office is conducted in up-to-date manner and every detail of record is systematically preserved in every department.

Tax Collector: This office is a model of neatness and system and his books are apparently correct. We went over his books, saw what money had come into his possession, and find that he has paid same over to the proper parties and that he has receipts and vouchers for everything.

We examined the books of the justices of the peace in district No. 2, 3 and 6, and report as follows:

In No. 2, judging from past reports, there is an improvement in the office. In No. 3 we find that the justice of the peace has kept as good records as could be expected, he having no regular docket for that purpose. We suggest that the county commissioners furnish him a docket in proper form without delay.

In No. 6 the county commissioners have recently furnished a docket, and justice is keeping same in proper form and we have no complaint to make about this office.

City Marshal.

While it was not strictly within our line of duty, we, by request of the city marshal, visited his office and investigated his books showing the doings of that office including a report of all persons sent to the criminal court for trial. We found a complicated set of books but when they were explained to us found every detail of the office complete; in fact under the system those in charge can readily turn to their books and give you information desired. We found the books complicated but those in charge know the system and have everything and every detail there properly of record.

While at the city building we took occasion to examine the city prison, prisoners and the arrangements for their comfort. We found them comfortably cared for, and in good sanitary condition. We happened to be there at meal time and the food that was furnished them was wholesome and well prepared.

County Jail.

County Jail: This county jail was in good condition; no complaints from the inmates, the food was plentiful and wholesome. The steel cage seemed to be over-crowded with prisoners.

Roads and Bridges: The only examination that we made with reference to the roads and bridges was by inquiry from members of our body, and from such inquiries we find that the roads and bridges generally are in unsatisfactory condition. We call special attention to the condition of what is known as "Brents Road" or "extension of Palafox Street" from Jackson street north for a distance of about four miles. This thoroughfare needs repair badly and immediately, and we ask that the proper authorities give the matter their attention.

Docket for Grand Juries.

We suggest that the county commissioners provide a docket book and a minute book for the use of future grand juries and that same be made up from a form to be furnished by the state attorney.

We desire to thank the Court, the State Attorney and all court officials including our efficient bailiff, for courtesies shown, and having now concluded our labors and our final report we ask to be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) JOSEPH N. ANDREWS, Foreman.

(Signed) CYDE E. WILSON, Clerk.
This December 16th, 1905.

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RAILROAD RATE COULD NOT BE SECURED

Project to Bring Buyers' Excursion into Pensacola Failed For That Reason.

Upon a suggestion published in the editorial columns of The Journal of recent date, Secretary W. C. Jones, of the Chamber of Commerce of Pensacola, undertook to organize the merchants of Pensacola into an association, the price object of which was to secure a series of excursions of buyers into Pensacola before the holidays.

Several meetings of the leading merchants of Pensacola were held. Mr. C. M. Covington, of the Consolidated Grocery Co. was elected chairman, and Secretary Jones of the Chamber of Commerce, was elected secretary of this embryonic merchants' association.

The secretary was instructed to communicate with the officials of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, requesting that a rate be named from points in West Florida and South Alabama, designated by Pensacola merchants, and so recognized by the officials of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, as Pensacola territory. The secretary, on or about November 25, wrote the local traffic officials of the L. & N. requesting the naming of a rate into Pensacola. On the 1st, instant, he received the following communication, viz:

Could Not Grant Rate.
Pensacola, Fla., Nov. 30, 1905.

Mr. W. C. Jones, Secretary, City.
Dear Sir:—I have taken up the matter of proposed merchants' excursion into Pensacola with our general passenger agent, in line with your conversation with him, and he advises we would like to do this for the people of Pensacola, but we have had similar applications from the people on our line, and have always declined them. You will perceive, therefore, that we cannot make an exception in the case of Pensacola, as it would show discrimination in favor of this city as against other points on our line.

(Signed) J. W. LURTON, D. P. A.

Upon the receipt of the foregoing communication, Secretary Jones was instructed to communicate with the officials of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company and inquire whether or not a train could be chartered to bring an excursion from River Junction and intermediate points into Pensacola, the patrons of such an excursion to be returned to their homes on any regular passenger train upon a ticket sold upon a three days' limit. In conformity to these instructions, Secretary Jones communicated with the local traffic officials of the L. & N. railroad and in reply to his communication received the following:

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 4, 1905.

Mr. W. C. Jones, Secretary, City.
Dear Sir:—Replying to your favor of recent date, in which you requested the privilege of chartering special train, I regret very much to advise we are not in a position to charter special trains as you desire.

Yours truly,
J. W. LURTON, D. P. A.

In view of the fact that it has been impossible for the merchants of Pensacola to secure excursion rates into the city it is needless to state that the Merchants' Association is still in embryo.

HOW JOURNAL ADVERTISING PAYS

ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF WHAT GOOD USE OF PRINTERS' INK WILL DO.

The following letter, which relates to an exceptionally good cigar and to an exceptionally good advertising medium as well, is self-explanatory:

Read It In The Journal.

Bond, Miss., Dec. 13, 1905.
The Welles Kahn Co., Pensacola.
Gentlemen:—I would be pleased to have a box of your "Fama Nacional" cigars. Will you ship same to me by express? You may send them C. O. D. or mail bill direct to me and will remit the amount of same. Would send cash now but don't know price. I smoke something over 100 each each month and if your cigars are what you claim will use them exclusively.

Saw your ad in "The Pensacola Journal."

Yours truly,
J. D. DIAMOND,

References—H. O. Anson, American National Bank, Both of Pensacola.

For Holiday trade, a large lot of Allegretti's Famous Creams and Gunther's Bon Bons at 17dec1w
WHITE'S PHARMACY.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Pensacola Lodge No. 3, K. of P. will hold a regular meeting Monday night, Dec. 18, at 7:30 o'clock. Work in the rank of Knight. Members of sister lodges and visiting brethren cordially invited to attend.

J. H. BREWTON, C. C.
H. HORSLEY, K. R. S.

A SATISFIED PURCHASER

The base to the building of a solid business. Christmas is coming. Before buying a Christmas overcoat, shoes, or anything in furnishing, satisfy yourself before doing so. Inspect every stock in the city, and see us last. We guarantee satisfaction. Any article bought of us, if returned the same day, we will cheerfully refund money or satisfy you. Be sure now to see us last, we will down them all. Yours for good merchandise at low figures.

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